GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:33
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2001
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY BRITAIN
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Britain has offered financial assistance to help India in its efforts to eradicate poverty;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the terms and conditions of the agreement;

(c) the manner in which these funds are proposed to be utilised alongwith the objectives proposed to be achieved thereby; and

(d) the funds likely to be provided to the State Governments for implementation of poverty alleviation schemes, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Union Government has agreed thatall British Government assistance targeted on poverty alleviation can be given to the National and State Governmentson grant terms. Details of funds likely to be provided by British Government may please be seen at Annexure-I.

(c): The funds are proposed to be utilised to improve the poverty impact of public policies and services to achieve the objectives like increased access to basic education, health, water and sanitation services for the poor, promote better management of the natural and physical environment and promote greater empowerment of the poor, especially women and members of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(d): Details are given in Annexure-I.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXUREREFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b) AND (d) OFOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTIONNO.33 FOR 20.2.2001.

DETAIL OF THE ON-GOING DFID-UK ASSISTED SLUM IMPROVEMENT/POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROJECTS.

S. NO.	NAME OF THE PROJECT	NAME OF THE STATE	AMOUNT LIKELY TO BE PROVIDED	DURATION
1.	Andhra Pradesh Urban Services Improvement Project.	Andhra Pradesh	Pound 94.4 million+	3.6.1999 to 2.5.2006
2.	Calcutta Slum Improvement Project (Phase 1C)	West Bengal	Rs.12.01 crore	1.4.1998 to 31.03.2001
3.	Cuttack Urban Services Improvement Project (Main Phase)	Orissa	Rs.67.00 crore	1.4.199 to 31.03.2003
4.	Cochin Urban Poverty Reduction Project	Kerala	Rs.66.00 crore	1.4.1998 to 31.3.2003

(Main Phase)
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+ in cash prices